

R_2 is $S(O)_nR_3$;

R_3 is alkyl or haloalkyl;

R_4 represents a hydrogen or halogen atom, or an NR_5R_6 , $S(O)_mR_7$, $C(O)R_7$ or $C(O)O-R_7$, alkyl, haloalkyl or OR_8 radical or an $-N=C(R_9)(R_{10})$ radical;

R_5 and R_6 independently represent a hydrogen atom or an alkyl, haloalkyl, $C(O)$ alkyl or $S(O)_rCF_3$ radical, or R_5 and R_6 can together form a divalent alkylene radical optionally interrupted by one or two divalent heteroatoms;

R_7 represents an alkyl or haloalkyl radical;

R_8 represents an alkyl or haloalkyl radical or a hydrogen atom;

R_9 represents an alkyl radical or a hydrogen atom;

R_{10} represents a phenyl or heteroaryl group optionally substituted with at least one halogen atom or groups selected from OH, -O-alkyl, -S-alkyl, cyano or alkyl;

X represents a trivalent nitrogen atom or a $C-R_{12}$ radical, the other three valences of the carbon atom forming part of the aromatic ring;

R_{11} and R_{12} represent, independently of each other, a hydrogen or halogen atom;

R_{13} represents a halogen atom or a haloalkyl, haloalkoxy, $S(O)_qCF_3$ or SF_5 group;

m, n, q, r represent, independently of each other, an integer equal to 0, 1 or 2;

with the proviso that when R_1 is methyl, then R_3 is haloalkyl, R_4 is NH_2 , R_{11} is Cl,


R_{13} is CF_3 and X is N;

- (b) between 0.05 and 10 % of at least one moisture-retaining agent; and
- (c) between 40 and 99% of at least one vegetable meal.

19. (New) Insecticidal compositions according to Claim 18, wherein the vegetable meal is derived from the grinding of a cereal grain.

20. (New) Insecticidal compositions according to Claim 18, wherein the vegetable meal is a maize.

21. (New) Insecticidal compositions according to Claim 18, wherein the moisture-retaining agent is of an organic nature.



22. (New) Insecticidal compositions according to Claim 18, wherein the composition also comprises from 3 to 30 % of a sugar.

23. (New) Insecticidal compositions according to Claim 22, wherein the sugar is selected from mono, oligo- or polyorganosaccharides.


24. (New) Insecticidal compositions according to Claim 18, further comprising a preservative to prevent degradation of the meal.

25. (New) Insecticidal compositions according to Claim 18, further comprising one or more additives selected from colorings, attractants for pests, repellants for birds or animals which are useful or which should be protected, binding agents, agglomerating

agents, appetite-enhancing agents, agglutinating agents, gelling agents, swelling agents or antiadherent agents.

26. (New) Insecticidal compositions according to Claim 18, wherein the compound of formula (I) is 5-amino-3-cyano-1-[2,6-di-chloro-4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4-[(trifluoromethyl)-sulphinyl]-1H-pyrazole.

27. (New) Insecticidal compositions according to Claim 18, which are in the form of granules of a size between 0.1 mm and 3 cm.



28. (New) Insecticidal compositions according to Claim 18, wherein the compound of formula (I) is present in an amount of between 0.05 and 1 %.

29. (New) Insecticidal compositions according to Claim 28, wherein the compound of formula (I) is present in an amount of between 0.05 and 0.5 %.

30. (New) Insecticidal compositions according to Claim 18, wherein the moisture-retaining agent is present in an amount of between 0.1 and 5 %.

31. (New) Insecticidal compositions according to Claim 18, wherein the vegetable meal is present in an amount of between 50 and 98 %.

32. (New) Insecticidal compositions according to Claim 31, wherein the vegetable meal is present in an amount of between 70 and 97 %.

33. (New) Insecticidal compositions according to Claim 19, wherein said cereal grain is selected from wheat, barley, rye, triticale, oats, rice, sorghum, soyabean or maize.

34. (New) Insecticidal compositions according to Claim 21, wherein the moisture-retaining agent of an organic nature is selected from macromolecular hydrophilic derivatives of plant origin.

35. (New) Insecticidal compositions according to Claim 34, wherein the moisture-retaining agent is a cellulosic hydrophilic derivative.

36. (New) Insecticidal compositions according to Claim 22 wherein the sugar is present in an amount of between 4 to 20 %.


37. (New) Insecticidal compositions according to Claim 23, wherein the sugar is sucrose, lactose, fructose, dextrose, glucose, molasses or honey.

38. (New) Insecticidal compositions according to Claim 24, wherein the preservative is selected from sodium benzoate, 1,2-benziso-thiazolin-3-one, benzoic acid,

para-hydroxybenzoic acid and its esters and alkali or alkaline-earth metal salts,
2-phenylphenol and its alkali or alkaline-earth metal salts, or para-nitrophenol.

39. (New) Insecticidal compositions according to Claim 27, wherein the granules are of a size between 0.5 and 4 mm and are water-insoluble.

40. (New) Insecticidal compositions according to Claim 18, further including from 0.5 to 30 % of at least one disintegrating agent.

 41. (New) Insecticidal compositions according to Claim 40, wherein the disintegrating agent is present in an amount of 1 to 20 % and is selected from starch, sodium carboxymethyl starch, microcrystalline cellulose; modified celluloses; bentonite, aluminium or magnesium silicate; sodium polynaphthalenesulphonate, sodium dodecylbenzenesulphonate, sodium dioctylsulphosuccinate, lignin sulphonate; a saccharide derivative; or a cross-linked derivative of polyvinylpyrrolidone.


42. (New) A method of controlling insects which comprises applying an effective quantity of a composition according to Claim 18 in the form of granules having a size of between 0.2 mm and 2 cm over or into the soil in an area which has to be cultivated.

43. (New) A method according to Claim 42, wherein the effective quantity is selected to provide a dosage which is nonlethal through contact but lethal through ingestion.

44. (New) A method of protecting crops which comprises applying an effective amount of a composition according to Claim 18 in the form of granules.

45. (New) A method according to Claim 44, wherein the crop to be protected is selected from a cereal, beet, sunflower, potato or rape.

46. (New) A method according to Claim 42, wherein the insect being controlled is a click beetle.

 47. (New) A method according to Claim 44, wherein the effective amount comprises between 1 and 50 g/ha.

48. (New) A method according to Claim 47, wherein the amount is between 3 and 40 g/ha.

49. (New) A method according to Claim 42, wherein the effective quantity is between 1 and 50 g/ha.

50. (New) A method according to Claim 49, wherein the effective quantity is between 3 and 40 g/ha.
